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"Let reverence for laws be breathed by every American mother to the lisping babe that prattles on her lap; let it be taught in schools, in seminaries and colleges; let it be written in primers, spelling books and almanacs; let it be preached from the pulpit, proclaimed in legislative halls, and enforced in courts of justice. And in short, let it become the political religion of the nation; and let the old and the young, the rich and the poor, the grave and the gay of all sexes and tongues and colors and conditions, sacrifice unceasingly upon its altars."

Weather forecast for South Carolina: Fair Friday and Saturday.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 1915.

The fair is gone but fair weather is still ours.

How long will the concealed pistol be allowed to do its deadly work?

"Better roads for the county and better streets for the town," is a good slogan for Lancaster to adopt.

What are you doing for your school? Encourage your teachers by frequent visits and help them in every possible way.

Lancaster's interest is centered on the game our high school football team is playing with Darlington today. Heretofore.

If the European war continues for two years more, the people of the South will become independent of the Western markets.

There are more home raised corn, hogs and molasses in Lancaster county at this time than at any other period of its history.

We don't know what the remainder of this year's cotton will bring, but we do know that if a big crop is planted next year it will not bring the cost of production.

There are some people in Lancaster who are not members of the Library Association. And there are in the library some good books these same people have never read.

We believe in preparedness in local as well as national affairs. For instance we hold that the streets of Lancaster should be made ready to withstand the winter rains.

There are many reasons why you should become a member of the Civic League, but the very fact that the league is working for your town is reason enough for you to join it.

Let's begin now to plan and work for a bigger and better fair next year. We must have permanent grounds and buildings. Let's have them and let's organize for business.

There is no reason why we should not have a hospital right here in Lancaster. We should keep Lancaster county money at home by affording treatment here for those who need it.

The strong and aggressive note sent by President Wilson and Secretary Lansing to Great Britain, insisting that the rights of the United States as a neutral nation, shall not be interfered with, is bound to bear fruit, just as a similar position with Germany did. Both Germany and Great Britain have taken positions, which cannot be maintained if the United States will take a firm stand and hold it.

We hope our farmers will not rely on the grain supply of this year to last them during 1916 and increase the cotton acreage. There is going to be great demand next year for foodstuffs and the man who plants grain will be able to sell it for a good price, when cotton is perhaps bringing less than the cost of production. Nobody knows when the European war will end but common sense teaches us that as long as the war continues the demand for grain will increase, while there will be less and less demand for cotton.

FOR IMPROVED STREETS.

Lancaster has more paved sidewalks than any town of its size in the state and we have reason to be proud of this fact. We have a great white way on our Main street, four blocks of which are paved. All this marks us as a progressive people, wise enough to see the need of permanent improvements. But another step must be taken, a step without which we cannot move forward. We refer to the neglected streets. Except for the asphalt paving on Main street, there is scarcely a block on any street in town which is kept in good condition. Bordered on both sides with good pavements, the intervening space attracts particular notice because of its sad plight. In dry weather many streets are deep in ruts, while during and after rains, they are ankle deep in mud. Even those streets in better condition are not what they might be. We wish it were possible to pave every street in town, but since that is out of the question, they can, at least, be dragged and worked. And this most needed improvement should be made before the winter rains set in. The street crossings have too long been neglected. They, at least, should be put in proper condition before bad weather comes. The experience of last winter is sufficient for many years and those who waded through mud and slush deserve something better now. The hollows in the streets should be filled in and smoothed over and the streets dragged after every rain. Nobody wants to sit still in a growing town like Lancaster. The wonderful progress we have made should spur us on to finish the task. No other work so needs the attention of the town authorities, whom we urge to undertake this street improvement. Perhaps only a few more weeks of good weather remain in which to do regular work on the streets. It is imperative, therefore, that a prompt start be made. We hope this plea will be heeded and that work will soon begin. Let's do it now.

MR. BRYAN STILL AGITATING.

We have about come to the conclusion that Mr. Bryan, in his peace propaganda, is bent more upon furthering his own political ends than he is in preserving peace for the United States. In the last issue of The Commoner he makes an address to its readers, in which he tries to appeal to popular prejudice. Mr. Bryan says, "The preparedness now demanded will provoke war instead of preventing it. Peace among nations, as among individuals, rests upon friendship and good will, not upon force or fear."

The object of making additional preparation in the event of war against the United States is not for the purpose of using force or putting any other nation in fear, but to place the country in such a position that it will not be at the mercy of any country that might attack us. The United States in times past has found itself wholly unprepared for war. We do not know what is ahead of us, and it would be sheer folly to act upon his ideas and depend upon the friendliness of other countries to keep at peace with them. Mr. Bryan is carrying his peace-at-any-price ideas entirely too far. All he will accomplish will be to embarrass the Democratic administration in its efforts to bring the army and navy up to such a standard as will make it respected by other nations. Mr. Bryan has talked and agitated enough. It is time for him to take a back seat.

WHY THE DIFFERENCE?

Read the following from The State and see if you can explain why juries discriminate between corporations and individuals:
"A railroad company purchased a dozen automatic pistols and concealed them, in easy reach, under the seats in a coach, for the convenience and protection of passengers against train robbers. Two unarmed passengers engage in a quarrel and one of them snatches one of the railroad company's 'guns' concealed under the seat and kills the other."
"Where is the jury in South Carolina that would not give a verdict of \$25,000 damages to the widow of the dead man against the railroad company?"
"Where is the jury that would not send to jail the railroad president who ordered the 'guns' placed in the car?"
"If a mere man conceals a 'gun' on his person, it is a trivial offense."
"Why is a life worth about one hundred times so much when it is taken by a corporation, though by accident, in South Carolina, than a life taken by a man?"
"Is it not true that a heifer calf killed by a railroad is reckoned of more value in South Carolina than a man shot down in a street brawl or private quarrel?"

AT THE LANCASTER FAIR.

Had a Good Time.
There was a bunch went to the Lancaster fair last Friday night. Some of them won blankets and others only tried to win them. But all of us had a good time.—Waxhaw Enterprise.

Many Thanks.
Press reports say that the Lancaster county fair was a great success this year. Much of the credit is due The Lancaster News but we have our doubts about whether credit was given the newspaper.—York News.

As "The Era" Saw It.

Lancaster was wise in holding her second annual fair this year and she was also wise in not postponing the date for holding it, as the results have shown. The weather last year and the stress occasioned by the war, discouraged many and caused several counties to call off their fairs this year, and they never made a greater mistake. The very exertion itself, to have a fair, is worth all it costs, as it is an effort to do something worth while.

The exhibits at the Lancaster fair were most creditable. They could have been more numerous in the agricultural department. We can think of a dozen farmers within a radius of five miles of Lancaster who could have added materially to the success of the fair, who were not represented there in any degree by the products of their farm. It should not have been the case. The incorrect inference is, that only a very few farmers in the county possess anything worth displaying on such an occasion. Then, too, it led almost to the overshadowing of the fair by the carnival, which was far too conspicuous by its more numerous and elaborate display of tents on the fair ground.

We do not know it to be the case, but we venture the guess that too few had to assume the responsibility and perform the toil necessary to the success of such an important undertaking, which is a gross injustice. Such a task requires a distribution of the work among many in order to make the best success of it. A great many times people can do themselves great injustice by their neglect or refusal to contribute help in a public enterprise for the good of all.

We do not want to be understood as criticizing adversely, but rather as offering friendly suggestions in a proper spirit. The Lancaster fair was very creditable, and its promoters deserve the highest commendation. They did well to undertake it and their efforts were attended with success, and we congratulate them. They deserve the thanks of all who attended.—Kershaw Era.

AUTUMN ROMANCE.

Were you a leaf gold tinted,
And I a wandering breeze,
We'd gallily go a-flying
Through woods by autumn minted,
To far, old welcoming seas,
Were you a leaf gold tinted
And I a wandering breeze.

Were I a sunbeam youthful
And you the guardian tree,
Whose gold and crimson treasure
I praised in amorous measure,
My words, however truthful,
Would doubted be by thee,
Were I a sunbeam youthful
And you the guardian tree.

Were I the moon of reaping
And you the ripening grain,
In my blue dome supernal
I'd brew a draft nocturnal
To set the world a sleeping
With the glory every sweeping
Round castle fair in Spain. —Ex.

FROM OTHER PAPERS.

Not One.
"Ohio boasts of nine presidential possibilities." But not a single probability.—News and Courier.

Amen.
The county-to-county campaign system in this state has outlived its usefulness.—Spartanburg Journal.

Cold Comfort.
There is still a bottle to be had at the other end of the Carolina Special.—Charleston Post.

Here's to Him.
Ladies and gentlemen, we want to propose a toast to the weather man. He's a friend of ours.—Spartanburg Herald.

Wheat as Cover and Food Crop.
Certainly has been fine weather for sowing grain. Did you do your part? Do not overlook wheat as a cover crop and as a food crop as well.—Greenwood Index.

The Probable Explanation.
Some of the stuff that reaches this office insists on spelling it suffer age. The culprit must be some hen-pecked hubby who feels that he has suffered an age from female rule already.—Greenville Piedmont.

Believes in Enforcing the Laws.
A man feels safer in South Carolina these days. There is nothing like having a state administration that stands flatfooted against lawlessness. Governor Manning is very naturally looked upon as a holy terror by the lawless element. He believes that the laws were put on the statute books for enforcement.—Spartanburg Herald.

Notice of Sale.
I will sell at public auction at the McCordell home place on Saturday, November 20, beginning at 10 o'clock, lot of corn and fodder, two mules and wagon, one horse, and farming tools.
W. J. THOMPSON,
Administrator.

HONOR ROLL FOR OCTOBER.

Names of Graded School Pupils With Highest Averages.

First grade—Thelma Clanton, Catherine Cook, Sara Craig, Willie Locke Crawford, Frances Culp, Rachel Edwards, Grace Harper, Sara Hilton, Martha Hinson, Evelyn Hirsch, Mary Laney, Hunter, Margaret Penny, Katherine Riddle, Katherine Stevens, Elva Stogner, Rose Williams, Evelyn Wylie, William Craig, Thomas Crenshaw, John Drennan, Curtis Hagins, Mack Hughes, Dewey Knight, Hal Jones Long, James Reed.

Second grade—Joe Ree Blackmon, Henry Bost, Loula Boyd Beaty, Cooper Davis, Elizabeth Gooch, Jessie Morris, Pauline Beckham, Ruth Cross, Louise Cauthen, Frances Williams, Doris Hilton, Minnie Mobley, James Thomasson, Marion Sistrare, Thomas Wilson, Johnnie Cox.

Third grade—Ivy Poovey Eustace Morris, Eldridge Lazenby, Archie Lingie, Martin Crawford, Marion Blanks, William Frost, Mary Donnom Witherspoon, Mary Scarboro, Irene Poovey, Blanche Mobley, Ruth Mackey, Margaret Long, Elizabeth Laney, Rebecca Jones, Elizabeth Lazenby, Mary Mackey Hough, Henrietta Edwards, Lillian Davis, Eugenia Adams, Oveta Roberts.

Fourth grade—Jennie Lee Sherard, Walter Davis, Edward Croxton, Beulah Mae Laney, Eugenia Hughes, Colin Murchison, Miriam Poliakoff, Emory Penny, Thurlow Carter Thomasson.

Fifth grade—Eva Cook, Mary Agnes Funderburk, Marion Halle Long, Gertrude Poliakoff, Dorothy Porter, Mary Evans Riddle, Katherine Sistrare, Ruth Threatt, Martha VanLandingham, Sara Williams, Louise Williams, Elizabeth Witherspoon.

Sixth grade—Ira Adams, Theo. Baker, Charley Burgess, Wren Ballard, Mary Lee Beckham, Kathleen Ferguson, Jewel Hinson, Middleton Jones, Sybil Lingie, Sadie Parks, Marie Settlemyer, Margaret Thomasson.

Seventh grade—Maud Bennett, Laura Gilbert Williams, Nannie Ferguson, Mildred King, Ida Cauthen, James Porter, J. C. Sowell, Edward Sistrare, Lewis Murchison.

Eighth grade—Roy Biggett.

Ninth grade—Ernest Moore, Mary Ellen Blackmon, Mary Elliott Carnes, Freddie Knight, Caroline Porter, Guy Skipper, Helen Williams.

Tenth grade—Helen Derrick, Chauncey Gregory, Toy Gregory, Leighton Horton.

Eleventh grade—Ernest Beaty, Gladys Blackmon, Jessie Ferguson, Mary Kirk.

MILL SCHOOL.

First grade—Fay Kennington, Dexter Beckham, Grace Chapman, Minnie Cook, Ruby Ghent, Azilee Knight, Norah Langley, Ben Threatt, Walter Burgess.


Second grade—Erline Harris, Rose Lee Knight, Vera Robertson, Plessee Vick, Eulalia Vick, Annie Harris, Frank Bowers, B. B. Carnes, Albert Clark, Bardon Hunter, Webster Humphries, Robert Harris.

Third grade—Jim Walden, Robert Bowers, Myles Wells, Chalmers Carnes, Iva Whitley, Bertha Knight.

Fourth grade—Agnes Sealy, Nancy Wilson, Rosa Walden, Bleeka Langley, Rose Eva Garland, Ruth Phillips, Oscar Funderburk, Lizzie Bell Adams, Ollie Mae Warren, Mamie Burgess.

High first—Willie Harris, Luda Helms, Bertha Outen, Lois Sanders, Clyde Evans.

Wipe that off the slate
That same money in the Bank would keep you
some day or set you up in Business



EXTRAVAGANCE is one of those insidious habits that creep upon us and takes away our money, wastes our time, and ROBS US of a comfortable old age. Those small sums that we fritter away from week to week, would look very handsome a few years from now in the bank. After you have started a bank account, you will find that it is no sacrifice to deny yourself many of the useless pleasures that really eat up so vast an amount of money.

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Notice to Creditors.

All persons holding claims against the estate of Allen Hudson, deceased, are hereby notified and required to prove same before the undersigned, at the office of Clerk of Court, on or before Nov. 30th, 1915.

PAUL MOORE,
Clerk of Court.

Registration Notice.

To the Voters of the Town of Lancaster:
You will please take notice that the books of registration of the Town of Lancaster will be opened at the Guard House on Monday, November 15th, A. D. 1915, and remain open for one week for the purpose of registering all of the qualified electors of the said Town.

L. C. LAZENBY,
Mayor Pro Tempore.
JOHN CRAWFORD,
Clerk and Treasurer.
Nov. 11th, 1915.

Notice of Discharge.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will, as administrator of the estate of W. S. Marshall, deceased, on the 13th day of December, 1915, make his final return as such administrator and apply to the probate court of Lancaster county for letters dismisory.

J. A. MARSHALL,
Administrator Estate of said Deceased.
Nov. 12th, 1915.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will, on the first day of December, 1915, apply to Robert B. Mackey, Secretary of the Lancaster Cotton Oil Company, for a Certificate of Stock in said Corporation to be issued in lieu of stock certificate No. 77, dated the 13th day of December, 1912, of the par value of \$500.00, which certificate has been lost or stolen.

(Signed) M. S. WITHERSPOON,
Lancaster, S. C., Oct. 22, 1915.

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